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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2012-0011]

Pre-Disaster Emergency Declaration Requests, FD 010-4

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is accepting comments on <u>Pre-Disaster Emergency Declaration Requests</u>.

DATES: Comments must be received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Comments must be identified by docket ID FEMA-2012-0011 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

<u>Federal eRulemaking Portal:</u> http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Please note that this proposed policy is not a rulemaking and the Federal Rulemaking Portal is being utilized only as a mechanism for receiving comments.

Mail: Regulatory Affairs Division, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency
Management Agency, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472-3100.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ryan Buras, Federal Emergency
Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, 202-212-1677.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

I. Public Participation

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice, which can be viewed by clicking on the "Privacy Notice" link in the footer of www.regulations.gov.

You may submit your comments and material by the methods specified in the ADDRESSES section above. Please submit your comments and any supporting material by only one means to avoid the receipt and review of duplicate submissions.

<u>Docket:</u> The proposed policy is available in docket ID FEMA-2012-0011. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov and search for the docket ID. Submitted comments may also be inspected at FEMA, Office of Chief Counsel, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

II. Background

This policy applies to any gubernatorial requests to the President for an emergency declaration in advance or anticipation of the impact of an incident that threatens such destruction as could result in a major disaster, and is effective upon the date of issuance. This policy applies to pre-disaster emergency declaration requests from all States, Territories, and the District of Columbia.

The proposed policy does not have the force or effect of law.

FEMA seeks comment on the proposed policy, which is available online at

http://www.regulations.gov in docket ID FEMA-2012-0011. Based on the comments

received, FEMA may make appropriate revisions to the proposed policy. Although

FEMA will consider any comments received in the drafting of the final policy, FEMA

will not provide a response to comments document. When or if FEMA issues a final

policy, FEMA will publish a notice of availability in the Federal Register and make the

final policy available at http://www.regulations.gov. The final policy will not have the

force or effect of law.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 5191-5193; 44 CFR part 206.

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